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## AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is presented in response to the Final Office Action dated March 26, 2008.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the <u>Listing of Claims</u> which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin thereafter on page 8.